REMARKS

Entry of the above amendments is respectfully requested. Claims 1-18, 27, 28, 42-46, 55-59, 65, 66, and 82-86 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the canceled claims in one or more continuation applications. Claims 19-26, 29-41, 47-54, 60-64, 67-81, and 87 are pending.

Respectfully Submitted,

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